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MEETING

SUMMARY: AFRICAN DEVELOPMENT FUND BOARD OF DIRECTORS MET JANUARY 24, 1978, APPROVING LOAN FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF THE DORI-DJIBO ROAD IN UPPER VOLTA. CONSIDERATION OF ZAIRE PALM OIL PROJECT WAS POSTPONED UNTIL FEBRUARY SESSION OF BOARD AT REQUEST OF U.S. ALTERNATE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR (USED). BOARD DECLINED TO CONSIDER MOZAMBIQUE PEQUENOS LIBOMBOS IRRIGATION STUDY UNDER PROVISIONS OF THREE WEEK RULE. INTERIM REPORT OF AFDF REVIEW COMMITTEE WAS DISTRIBUTED AT MEETING. BOARD TO MEET JAN. 26 TO DISCUSS REPORT OF REVIEW COMMITTEE; FEB. 10 TO DISCUSS SECOND GENERAL REPLENISHMENT AND MOZAMBIQUE PROPOSAL; AND FEB. 27 IN REGULAR MONTHLY SESSION TO CONSIDER AFDF PROJECTS. END SUMMARY.

1. AFDF BOARD OF DIRECTORS APPROVED 6.5 MILLION FUND UNIT OF ACCOUNT (FUA EQUAL TO US \$1.11) LOAN TO FINANCE UPPER VOLTA DORI-
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DJIBO ROAD DESPITE SERIOUS RESERVATIONS EXPRESSED BY GERMAN,, SWISS AND U.S. DIRECTORS. THE THREE DIRECTORS INDICATED THAT THE PROJECT WAS PREMATURE AND SHOULD BE CONSIDERED AT A LATER DATE AFTER COMPLIMENTARY PROJECTS AND SOURCES OF FINANCING HAVE BEEN POSITIVELY IDENTIFIED. IN DISCUSSING PROPOSED PROJECT, USED EXPRESSED STRONG SUPPORT FOR AFDF'S SAHELIAN DEVELOPMENT EFFORTS. USED MADE REFERENCE TO U.S. AND OTHER NON-REGIONAL EFFORTS TO ASSIST IN THE DEVELOPMENT

OF THE AREA, AND POINTED OUT THAT THE USG, AS PART OF ITS EFFORT, HAD MADE A TOTAL OF \$3 MILLION IN SPECIAL GRANTS AVAILABLE TO THE AFRICAN DEVELOPMENT BANK ITSELF, FOR IDENTIFICATION AND PREPARATION OF PROJECTS IN THE SAHELIAN COUNTRIES. THEREFORE, U.S. OBJECTIONS TO PROJECT DID NOT STEM FROM AN INSENSITIVITY TO THE NEEDS OF THE AREA, BUT RATHER FROM THE BELIEF THAT AFDF MANAGEMENT HAD NOT YET DEMONSTRATED THAT THIS PROJECT REPRESENTS A TIMELY AND PRUDENT APPLICATION OF AFDF'S LIMITED RESOURCES. AFTER AN EXTENDED PERIOD OF DEBATE, THE MAJORITY OF THE BOARD SUPPORTED MANAGEMENT CONTENTION THAT THE ROAD WAS A NECESSARY CATALYST FOR THE DEVELOPMENT OF THE AREA.

2. AT THE REQUEST OF THE USED, THE BOARD AGREED TO DELAY CONSIDERATION OF THE ZAIRE PALM OIL LOAN UNTIL THE FEB. 27 MEETING. FOLLOWING THE MEETING, THE DIRECTOR REPRESENTING ZAIRE (A. ABD-EL-ATY OF EGYPT) APPROACHED USED TO EXPRESS HOPE THAT THE U.S. WOULD SUPPORT THE LOAN WHEN IT ULTIMATELY COMES BEFORE THE BOARD, AND INDICATED THAT HE WAS SENDING A CABLE TO THE GOZ STATING THAT CONSIDERATION OF THE LOAN HAD BEEN POSTPONED "WITHOUT PREJUDICE TO THE PROJECT." CONSIDERATION OF A PROPOSAL TO FINANCE A 500 THOUSAND FUA FEASIBILITY STUDY OF THE PEQUENOS LIBOMBOS IRRIGATION PROJECT IN MOZAMBIQUE WAS ALSO DEFERRED UNTIL THE FEB. 10 SESSION OF THE BOARD UNDER THE BOARD'S THREE WEEK RULE.

3. IN OTHER MATTERS, MANAGEMENT INDICATED THAT THE THIRD MEETING OF THE SECOND GENERAL REPLENISHMENT NEGOTIATIONS TENTATIVELY IS LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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SCHEDULED FOR APRIL 29 AND 30 AT LIBREVILLE, RATHER THAN AT YAMOISSOUKROU, IVORY COAST, AS ORIGINALLY PLANNED. THE ANNUAL MEETING OF THE AFDB, ALSO SCHEDULED TO BE HELD AT LIBREVILLE, WILL RUN MAY 1 THROUGH 6.

4. THE REPORT OF THE AFDF REVIEW COMMITTEE WAS DISTRIBUTED WITHOUT COMMENT. THE BOARD IS SCHEDULED TO MEET WITH THE COMMITTEE CHAIRMAN, Y. W. MANGASHA, ON JAN. 26, AT WHICH TIME MANGASHA WILL SUMMARIZE THE COMMITTEE'S OBSERVATIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS. MANAGEMENT ALSO INDICATED THAT ON APRIL 1, 1978, A PRICE WATERHOUSE CONSULTANT WILL COMMENCE WORKING WITH THE AFDB STAFF, ON A FULL-TIME BASIS, TO IMPLEMENT THE RECOMMENDATIONS CONTAINED IN THE PRICE WATERHOUSE REPORT ON DISBURSEMENT PROCEDURES. THE CONSULTANT IS EXPECTED TO REMAIN IN ABIDJAN FOR A ONE-YEAR PERIOD. PRICE WATERHOUSE WILL ALSO PROVIDE THE SERVICES OF A FINANCIAL CONSULTANT, FOR A SIX-MONTH PERIOD, COMMENCING MARCH 1, 1978. THIS CONSULTANT WILL BE CHARGED WITH SETTING UP AN INTERNAL FINANCIAL AUDIT SYSTEM.

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